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REPLY TO ACTION OF OCTOBER 20, 2006

Claims 1-20, 22-41 and 48-63 are pending in this application, with claims 1, 17, 22, and 23 being independent.

Independent claims 1, 17, 22 and 23, along with their dependent claims 2-16, 18-20, 24-41 and 48-63, have been rejected as being anticipated by Stasnick (U.S. Patent No. 6,397,264). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Each of independent claims 1, 17 and 22 recites, among other features, "at the client, simultaneously executing/execute multiple instantiations of the browser application in response to the electronic data received from the host ...wherein at least one instantiation of the browser application is configured to exchange messages with at least one other instantiation of the browser application" (emphasis added). Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 17 and 22, and their dependent claims, because Stasnick does not describe or suggest this feature.

As stated in the response to the Office Action of April 6, 2006, Stasnick describes a multiple-browser application 402 that allows a user to access and interact with multiple applications, including browser applications, using a single integrated user interface (col. 7, lines 18-39). Stasnick's multiple-browser application 402 may interact with a network operations center 150 or with a proxy server within a local area network 120 to manage multiple browsers and applications accessed by the user (col. 6, lines 32-37). Upon a user signing on to Stasnick's system, client configuration settings, which indicate the applications that the user is allowed or